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CERTIFIED RETURN RECEIPT
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Mr. Eric York
Moab Salt, LLC
P. O. Box 1208
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Subject: Third Review of Notice of Intention to Commence Large Mining
Operations; Moab Salt, LLC; Cane Creek Mine; M/019/005, Grand County,
Utah

Dear Mr. York:

The Division has completed a review of your response to our June 4, 2004, review of the revisions to your mine plan. This response was received June 24, 2004. Only a few issues remain, and these relate primarily to submission of the maps. You did not send revised maps with the last submittal, so we will need to receive and check the maps before we can give final approval. Our comments on the latest revision are listed on the attached page under the applicable Minerals Rule heading.

We would like to finalize your plan and ask that you submit your response by September 13, 2004. If you have any questions about this review, please contact me at 801-538-5325, Doug Jensen at 801-538-5382, or Paul Baker at 801-538-5261. Thank you for your cooperation in completing this permitting action.

Sincerely,

Daron R. Haddock
Permit Supervisor
Minerals Regulatory Program

DRH:PBB:jb
Attachment: Review
cc: Will Stokes, SITLA
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**THIRD REVIEW OF NOTICE OF INTENTION TO COMMENCE LARGE MINING
OPERATIONS**

Moab Salt Company

M/019/005

R647-4-105 - Maps, Drawings & Photographs

105.2 Surface facilities map

Maps have been changed to reflect change made to the plan to date. Copies of these amended maps need to be reviewed before final approval can be issued. (DJ)

R647-4-110 - Reclamation Plan

110.1 Current & post mining land use

In the previous review, the Division asked for justification for not reclaiming some of the roads. The operator responded with a statement that the surety has been adjusted to account for 5.8 acres of revegetation compared with 0.8 acres in the previous estimate. The response also says a revised map will be provided with the final plan. The Division assumes this means that most or all of the mine roads will be reclaimed, but until the map is received and can be reviewed, the Division cannot give final approval for this portion of the mine plan. (PBB)

110.2 Roads, highwalls, slopes, drainages, pits, etc., reclaimed

110.2.6 The Division commented that the berm fill material will not provide sufficient growth medium to cover a 90-acre area with three feet of material and asked where this material would come from and what type of material it is. Moab Salt responded that the material to be used is similar to what is in the berms and that it would come from adjacent areas. Specifically which adjacent areas would supply the material? How many acres will be disturbed assuming the yardage estimate is correct? (PBB)